



The Hojo Clan

“The story of a clan that has managed to do great things, in a different way”

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Chapter 1: The beginning...



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In 2014, The Kiyatoma Clan refounded itself as a historical clan; The Hojo Clan.

Using his connections and abilities, Hōjō Ujinobu managed to set up a Hōjō family as well. At a certain point this included Ujimune and Ujiharu, both of which contributed to Hōjō's zenith where we easily had 40 soldiers at every given event.

Early 2015, our military prowess was the greatest within The Tokugawa Shogunate, and we enjoyed being its primary military force. When however the Sanada Rebellion hit us, Tokugawa Tora failed to give us any reinforcements. At the same time, Hōjō Ujinobu found out that Tokugawa Tora was not having the seal from an Emperor, and that thus his acclaimed title was illegitimate.

This led directly to the decision of Hōjō Ujinobu to break from Tokugawa Tora, at the cost of losing both Hōjō Ujimune; his recruiter son & Hōjō Ujiharu; His iron-fist right hand and enforcer.

Chapter 2: The Great Civil War



Late 2015, The Hōjō had aligned themselves with The Imperial Japanese Order, and The Legion declared war on Hōjō for the sake of Hōjō trying to make TL's vassals switch sides.

Hōjō received aid from Shimazu and Nichibotsu, two primary military superpowers within Japan. Tokugawa Tora saw this as an aggression by the Imperial Order, and thus declared war on Emperor Saru. The Great Civil War was now a fact, as clans throughout the country had to decide between fighting for the Emperor, or self-proclaimed Shogun Tokugawa Tora.

The Hōjō, along with the Hyuda, Shimazu and Nichibotsu, marched to the lands of Shinano where they had the intention to fight one of Tokugawa's primary vassals; The Sanada.

The Sanada were not present, and the Imperial Army marched onto the plains of the Kanto region and into Musashi Province. Around the same time, the father of Hōjō Ujinobu, Imagawa Yoshimoto, came with an important piece of intelligence. The Imagawa were, like all vassals of Tora, to abandon their lands and all amass and patrol the Tokugawa fortress of Batoru-jo constantly. This was because in the end it was quite clear that the vassals would be overwhelmed in a fight of their own against the Imperial Army, and to that extend, the Tokugawa wanted to draw all their resources into Batoru-jo, as to force Imperial Command to engage in a decisive battle, on the terms of the Tokugawa.

Having been informed of this, Imperial Command (Consisting of Hōjō Ujinobu, Hyuda Masanari, Nichibotsu Oni, Shimazu Tadatsune & Emperor Saru) decided to wait out Tokugawa and thus surrounded Edo. In the meantime, the Tokugawa decided not to engage the Imperial Army out in the open and thus the conflict turned into a stalemate; A war that would be fought with words, political schemes and diplomacy, rather than raw military strength on the battlefield.

The last couple of months of the war were quite stable and not very active. Occasionally, a clan would switch sides, but in the end, both sides remained fairly stable enough to keep a force up that could match the other's.

Morale however, was afflicted. This goes for both the Imperial side where several Daimyo wanted to risk a push into Batoru-jo, but Imperial Command had to remind them of the steps the Tokugawa had taken to fortify their own position... In other words, a head-on assault would mean suicide.

Not much has been known from the Tokugawa side, however, it was known that Tora became increasingly fed up with the community, and did realize the end was quite near. In the end, Tora decided to end it all on his own terms. He was brought to this decision by his wife; Tokugawa Koneko. Surrounded by retainers, family and friends, Tora committed seppuku.

The Great Civil War as such, came to a formal ending, with the Tokugawa shutting down formally after Tora's death. Emperor Saru decided to abdicate not long after, appointing Shimazu Tadatsune as his heir, and thus as second Emperor of RJ. Looking back, the Hōjō having razed Edo, and winning the war that was declared on them, quite benefitted from this, however, it turned out that this was only to last for a short while...

Chapter 3: The Sanada Shodo (Succession War)



Following The Great Civil War, later that year (2016), in October, the FJ (FeudalJapan) framework launched. Introducing an interactive map, scheduled battles and a dynamic environment where battles had meaning, and result.

Initially, the Li Clan (A former Sanada retainer clan, which, still held good ties to the Sanada), managed to obtain the Shogunate of Japan as the first clan to do as such under the FJ framework. However, there was a problem on the horizon.

In the time between The Great Civil War and the onset of FJ, the aforementioned primary vassal of the Tokugawa, the Sanada, had faced a rough time: Their Daimyo, Sanada Yukitaka, resigned from the office of Shogun at about the zenith of the clan's time in between the time periods mentioned. This had the result that the successor Shogunate to the Tokugawa collapsed, as Sanada Nobuyuki tried keeping the Shogunate running, but inevitably failed as Daimyo overall lost support.

Back into FJ, and Li has become Shogun. The Sanada however face a crisis: Sanada Yukitaka is no more, and has left quite some descendants. The primary ones being Sanada Masayuki, and his younger brother, Sanada Yukinori.

Sanada Masayuki was appointed heir by Sanada Yukitaka, but later on Yukitaka revoked this and made his younger brother, Yukinori, heir. Now the real show begins as Yukitaka then again revoked Yukinori's inheritance of the Clan, and gave it back to Masayuki. The stage was set.

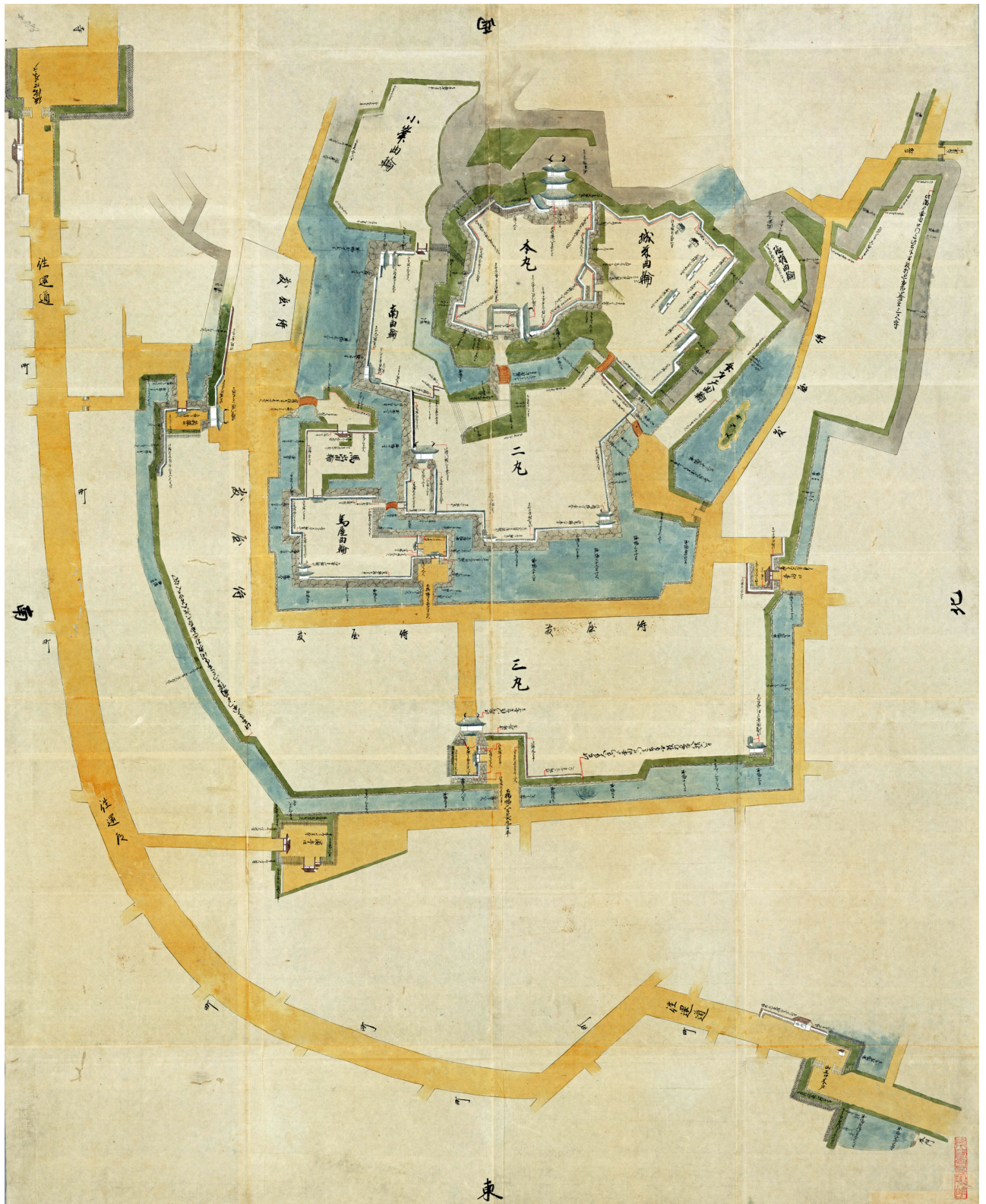
Both brothers tried resolving who should be the rightful heir, but, both in the end viewed themselves as the better heir. One due to his position in the line of succession, the other due to his self-acclaimed more-competence than his brother.

Soon, conflict in earnest broke out. And it spread like a wildfire. Clans throughout the Kanto region, and even in the north + in the Tokaido region, were called upon by both Sanada brothers, to fight for one side or the other.

We, the Hōjō, decided to fight for the rightful heir: Sanada Masayuki. This was mostly reasoned by the fact that in the end, Masayuki was the elder brother, and thus had a priority position to inherit over Yukinori, who, in Hōjō's eyes, was thus seen as a pretender, having gone out of his way in an attempt to usurp the position of his elder brother.

Initially, the Hōjō made good gains, and managed to knock down an Uesugi that rose up in an attempt to march south into Shinano. Following this, the Hōjō were told to guard the northern perimeter of Shinano. Afterwards, things did not go so well: The Hojo tried defending Suruga from a Sanada-shi invasion force, but this was lost. Then, a insurgency in Kai proved too strong to knock down, meaning the end of a pro-Masayuki Takeda and the beginning of a pro-Yukinori Takeda.

Soon, this Takeda decided that it was time to march against the seat of power for the Hōjō:
Odawara Castle



For two weeks, the Hōjō managed to fend off attacks by both the Takeda clan and the Imagawa clan. The Hōjō were not alone however, they were aided by the Fuma-shi shinobi village in the mountains of Sagami, who came thus down to the castle to aid the Hojo against the invading armies.

The third siege however, changed everything. Hōjō and the Fuma shinobi were assisted by foreign troops from The Kingdom of Imperial Prussia. On the other hand, the Takeda had brought allies of its own to the third siege, namely Asakura and Sanada-shi auxiliaries.

The Takeda, with aid from the Asakura snipers, managed to break through all the defences and in the end the castle fell, thus practically ending one of Masayuki's key supporting clans.



Chapter 4: The Aftermath



Following the fall of Odawara Castle, Masayuki's situation grew more dire and dire, especially after the betrayal of the Torii clan. After a very long siege at Masayuki's castle, Masayuki's position was overrun and eventually the Sanada Succession War came to an end. A very costly end.

The Hōjō lost many veterans, and many good warriors. Despite efforts over 2018 which occasionally saw a return in activity, Hōjō never managed to return to its operational capacity as seen during and before the Sanada Succession War.

And as such, 2019 came upon us. It was late in this month that, during the ongoing struggle between Kirameki's Kiheitai Domain and Takeda's Kanto Domain, we were confident that the end was upon us. We have ran for over 5 years, and during those 5 years, we have managed to complete many things. For the fact we acquired most things without the usage of military force, we indeed have become known for our application of politics, intrigue and diplomacy.

Yet, it has appeared, that the new generation no longer has interests for that which Hōjō was built upon and did focussed upon: *Dedication, Seriousness, Hard work & Studying the ancient arts.*

Chapter 5: Notable mentions



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